Amendment No. 1 to SB1104

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AMEND Senate Bill No. 1104*

House Bill No. 1509

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 71-1-130(b), is amended by deleting the language "from the market rate study" and substituting the language "from the market rate study or utilizing an alternative methodology".

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 71-1-130(c), is amended by deleting the language "results of the market rate study" and substituting the language "results of the market rate study; the results of an alternative methodology utilized, if applicable;".

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 71-1-130, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

- (h) For purposes of this section, "alternative methodology":
- (1) Means a method of determining the costs of day care other than by a market rate study; and
 - (2) Includes cost-of-quality studies and cost estimation models.

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 71-1-105, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

(c) The department is authorized to take actions necessary to support the development of shared services alliances and family child care networks to improve the quality of child care in this state, give child care providers access to innovative child care business resource platforms, and provide a means of cost savings to child care providers through negotiated discounts. The department may contract with one (1) or more entities as necessary to implement this subsection (c).

SECTION 5. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

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